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DIVISION OF OIL  
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RE: Topaz Mining Property, ACT/023/003

Dear Mr. *Lowell* Braxton:

This is to inform the Division of the progress that has been made in developing the final reclamation plan for the Topaz Mine and to propose a schedule for the completion of this work.

Work on preparing the final reclamation plan commenced in May, 1985 with the hiring of JBR Consultants Group to prepare the necessary documents. A thorough review of the reclamation files of the Division and the Company was made to determine what work was needed to prepare the final reclamation plan and reclamation cost estimate.

In June, 1985, field work was conducted on the property during which time the following tasks were completed:

Collection of 35 soils samples.

Collection of 4 water samples from the pits.

Vegetation transects of the revegetation test plots.

Description of the surrounding plant communities.

Since August, the samples have been analyzed and the data is being interpreted. Additional work is planned in the areas of topsoil inventories, soil handling, reclamation schedules, and cost estimating.

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We anticipate that the final product will consist of a number of technical reports that will be submitted along with the final reclamation plan as supporting information. The final reclamation plan itself will propose a topsoiling and revegetation plan, reclamation monitoring plan, reclamation schedule, and a reclamation cost estimate.

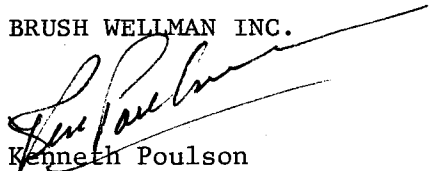
We have a significant amount of work yet to do before we will be able to submit the final plan to the Division. It is our understanding that no statutory deadline exists to complete this work but we would like to wrap it up in a timely manner. As you know, we have been stripping overburden on two ore bodies.

The level of activity necessarily consumes much of the efforts of our small staff. We anticipate turning to the completion of the reclamation plan after January 1, 1986, and hope to have this work completed by the end of March 1986.

Feel free to call if you have any comments on this schedule.

Sincerely yours,

BRUSH WELLMAN INC.



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Vice President  
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